

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
McNair Law Firm, P.A.) **ORDER**
(Georgetown Office))

The Georgetown office of the McNair Law Firm, P.A. (“the Firm”) was destroyed by fire on September 6, 2008. For the reasons set forth below, the attorneys in the Georgetown office are granted a blanket extension on all matters pending in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina until November 3, 2008.

The fire began when a utility pole fell, causing an electrical fire. The Firm has obtained temporary office space and expects to move into that space within another week. Vendors for telecommunication and data transmission lines expect to have the temporary office operational by the end of September or beginning of October.

The principal difficulty faced by the Firm is its files. Most files survived the fire but heavy water and smoke (soot) damage requires that the files be cleaned and copied by hand, page by page. The files cannot be copied quickly with a feeder due to the water and smoke damage. The vendor obtained by the Firm for this task estimates that copying will be complete in 40-60 days. The attorneys for the Firm have culled through the files in an effort to prioritize them for copying, focusing on litigation files that are most likely to have impending deadlines.

Based on the foregoing circumstances and the inevitable delays that will likely arise during the recovery process, the attorneys at the Georgetown office of the McNair

Law Firm, P.A. are granted a blanket extension on all matters pending in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina until November 3, 2008.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Norton", written over a horizontal line.

David C. Norton
Chief Judge
United States District Court for
the District of South Carolina

September 12, 2008